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4   UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

5   DISTRICT OF NEVADA

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7   UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,   Case No. 2:14-CR-143 JCM (PAL)

8   Plaintiff(s),   ORDER

9   v.

10   RALPH ALEXANDER MEDINA,

11   Defendant(s).

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13   Presently before the court is defendant Ralph Medina's motion to plead guilty. (ECF No.

14   66).

15   Before counsel was appointed, defendant moved pro se to plead guilty to his petition for

16   revocation without any knowledge of its contents. (*Id.*). This court granted defendant's motion

17   for appointment of counsel and requested counsel's supplementation of defendant's instant

18   request. (ECF No. 68). Defendant's counsel requests that this court strike his pro se motion. (ECF

19   No. 70). This court concurs with counsel's reasoning and interpretation of defendant's pro se

20   request:

21   While Mr. Medina had not been appointed counsel at the time he
                    filed his Motion to Plead Guilty, Mr. Medina is now represented by
22   counsel. Undersigned counsel requests this Court strike ECF No. 66
                    as Mr. Medina is now represented by counsel and cannot file pro se
23   motions pursuant to local rule IA 11-6. Mr. Medina requested
                    appointment of counsel on the same day he filed the Motion to Plead
24   Guilty pro se. Mr. Medina did not want to represent himself and as
                    such the Court should strike his pro se motion.
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U.S. District Judge

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> Further, Mr. Medina does not have a copy of the petition against him and has not made an initial appearance. Mr. Medina cannot admit the allegations against him without receiving a copy of the petition and reviewing it with counsel. Mr. Medina is requesting the government file a writ to have him appear via video for an initial appearance in this matter.

(*Id.*).

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In the interests of justice and judicial economy, this court hereby strikes defendant's motion to plead guilty. (ECF No. 66).

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Accordingly,

IT IS SO ORDERED.

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DATED October 26, 2020.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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